

UKRAINIAN WOMEN'S CONGRESS

DRAFT AGENDA

22-23 November 2017

Kyiv, 12 Desiatynna Street, "Vsi. Svoi | Location"

DAY I

09:00 – 10:00 **Registration of participants – Welcoming coffee**

10:00 – 10:15 **UWC Opening**

Discussion platform 1: «Women's role in public and political life of the country: vision from inside and outside»

MODERATOR: Ms. Olena Kondratiuk, Member of the Parliament of Ukraine, Co-chair of the «Equal Opportunities» Caucus of the Parliament of Ukraine, Secretary of the Parliament of Ukraine Committee on Freedom of Speech and Information Policy

To draw attention of the public and authorities to the necessity to increase the participation of women in decision-making process; to discuss the problem of underrepresentation of women in the national and local self-government bodies in Ukraine at different levels and their potential which is not utilized for the public development. To discuss the effectiveness of women in power and present a positive experience of managerial (government) decisions at different levels; to determine basic problems and obstacles for female-politicians in their work, to give the impulse to discuss further topics of the Congress.

10:15 - 11:15 **Speakers of the 1st part of the discussion:**

Mr. Volodymyr Groysman, Prime Minister of Ukraine

Ms. Ketevan Tsikhelashvili, State Minister for Reconciliation of Georgia

Ms. Susan Kosinski Fritz, USAID Regional Mission Director to Ukraine, Belarus and Moldova

Ms. Ingibjörg Sólrún Gísladóttir, Director of the OSCE Office for Democratic Institutions and Human Rights

BRIEF STATEMENT: H.E. Martin Hagström, Ambassador of Sweden to Ukraine

11:30 - 12:30 **Speakers of the 2nd part of the discussion:**

Ms. Ivanna Klympush Tsintsadze, Vice-Prime-Minister for European and Euro-Atlantic Integration of Ukraine

Ms. Iryna Herashchenko, First Deputy Speaker of the Parliament of Ukraine, President's Commissioner for peaceful situation resolution in Donetsk and Luhansk regions

Ms. Iryna Lutsenko, Member of the Parliament of Ukraine, Representative of the President of Ukraine in the Parliament of Ukraine

Ms. Thorhildur Sunna Ævarsdóttir, Member of Parliament of Iceland, Chair of the Icelandic delegation to the Parliamentary Assembly of the Council of Europe

12:30 – 13:30 **Group photo of the Congress participants / Press briefing of speakers**

Lunch

13:30 – 15:45 **Discussion platform 2: «Women, Peace and Security»**

To define the role of women in peace building and peace keeping and to identify restrictions for women in military service, to discuss the issue of expanding the list of positions for women in the army.

13:30 - 14:30 **Speakers of the 1st part of the discussion:**

MODERATOR: Ms. Iryna Friz, Member of the Parliament of Ukraine, Member of the «Equal Opportunities» Caucus, Chair of the «Ukraine-Euro-Atlantic space!» Caucus of the Parliament of Ukraine, Chairperson of the subcommittee on State information system security of the Parliament of Ukraine Committee on National Security and Defence

Mr. Stepan Poltorak , Minister of Defense of Ukraine

Ms. Dawne L. Deskins, Brigadier General, Deputy Director, Missile Defense Headquarters, U.S. European Command

Ms. Ingrid Gjerde, Brigadier General, Chief of Staff of the Norwegian Army

Ms. Eugenia Guilmartin, Colonel, Assistant Commandant of U.S. Army Military Police School

Ms. Valeriia Parada, Lieutenant Colonel, Third Secretary of the Defense Section of the Mission of Ukraine to NATO, First Ukrainian woman peacekeeper

BRIEF STATEMENT: *Ms. Anastasia Divinskaya, UN Women Country Programme Manager*

14:45 - 15:45 **Speakers of the 2nd part of the discussion:**

MODERATOR: Ms. Mariia Ionova, Member of the Parliament of Ukraine, co-chair of the «Equal Opportunities» Caucus of the Parliament of Ukraine, Deputy Chairperson of the Parliament of Ukraine Committee on European Integration

Ms. Ivanna Klympush Tsintsadze, Vice-Prime-Minister for European and Euro-Atlantic Integration of Ukraine

Mr. Vadym Chernysh, Minister of Temporarily Occupied Territories and IDPs of Ukraine

Ms. Ann-Sofie Stude, National Coordinator for Women, Peace and Security, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Finland

Ms. Edita Tahiri, Chair of the Women's Lobby of Southeast Europe

15:45 – 16:15 **Coffee break**

16:15 – 18:30 **Discussion platform 3: «We are tired of being silent! Preventing and countering gender based violence against women»**

MODERATOR: Ms. Iryna Slavinska, Member of the Board of Directors of Hromadske Radio, Ukrainian journalist, speaker, translator and literary critic

To draw attention to the necessity of ratification of the Istanbul Convention and to challenge the myths around it. To present international experience of combatting gender based violence and develop recommendations for Ukraine. To present regional initiatives aimed at prevention and combatting violence, in particular, with involvement of civic activists

16:15 - 17:15 **Speakers of the 1st part of the discussion:**

Ms. Iryna Lutsenko, Member of the Parliament of Ukraine, Chair of the Subcommittee on International-Legal Affairs and Parliamentary Control over the Implementation of International Obligations by Ukraine under the Parliament of Ukraine Committee on Foreign Affairs

Mr. Pavlo Rozenko, Vice Prime Minister of Ukraine

Ms. Sophio Japaridze, Assistant of the Prime Minister of Georgia on Human Rights and Gender Issues

Ms. Maria Edera Spadoni, Member of Chamber of Deputies, Parliament of Italy, member of the PACE Committee on Equality and Non-Discrimination and the Sub-Committee on Gender Equality

BRIEF STATEMENT: *Ms. Natalia Fedorovych Deputy Minister of Social Policy of Ukraine*

17:30 - 18:30 **Speakers of the 2nd part of the discussion:**

Ms. Iryna Suslova, Member of the Parliament of Ukraine, Head of the Sub-Committee on Gender Equality and Non-Discrimination of the Committee of the Parliament of Ukraine on Human Rights, National Minorities and International Relations

Ms. Anastasiya Deyeva, Deputy Minister of Internal Affairs of Ukraine

Mr. Dimitri Tskitishvili, Member of Parliament of Georgia, Member of the Gender Equality Council

Ms. Andrea Csep, Member of the Chamber of Deputies, Member of the Committee on Equal Opportunities between Women and Men within the Chamber of Deputies of Parliament of Romania

Mr. Yuriy Lopatynskyi, Co-founder of the charity fund «Walnut House»

BRIEF STATEMENT: *Mr. Vitalii Sych, Ukrainian journalist, Editor-in-Chief of the magazine and the website «Novoe Vremya»*

18:30 – 20:00 **Group photo of the Congress participants
Dinner**

20:00 – 21:00 **Speeches of young women-leaders / informal communication**

DAY II

08:30 – 09:00 **Registration of participants – Welcoming coffee**

10:00 – 12:15 **Discussion platform 4: «Economic empowerment and rights of women»**

MODERATOR: Mr. Oleksii Mushak, Member of the Parliament of Ukraine, Member of the Parliament of Ukraine Committee on Agrarian Policy and Land Relations

To sensitize the issues of gender equality and competitiveness of the state. To discuss the development of professional, management and entrepreneurial potential of women. To define the role of women in economic development, obstacles preventing women from engagement into economic and entrepreneurial development, as well as to suggest possible ways how to overcome such obstacles.

10:00 - 11:00 **Speakers of the 1st part of the discussion:**

Ms. Ella Libanova, Director, M.V. Ptukha Institute for Demography and Social Studies, National Academy of Sciences of Ukraine

Ms. Oksana Markarova, First Deputy Minister of Finances of Ukraine

Mr. Andriy Pyshnyi, Chair of the Management Board Oschadbank

Ms. Tamara Solianyk, Leader of USAID Program Leadership in Economic Governance

BRIEF STATEMENT: *Ms. Nataliia Mykolska, Deputy Minister – Commercial Representative of the Ministry of Economic Development and Trade of Ukraine*

11:15 - 12:15 **Speakers of the 2nd part of the discussion:**

Ms. Lenna Koszarny, Founding Partner and Chief Executive Officer of Horizon Capital

Ms. Nadiya Gladkevych, CEO of Renome Groupe

Ms. Beth Woroniuk, Gender expert, Canada

Ms. Micaela Demaria, Director Operations Procter & Gamble Company in Eastern Europe & Central Asian Republics and Turkey and Caucasus

12:15 – 13:15 **Lunch**

13:15 – 14:45 **Discussion platform 5: «Successful women - successful communities! Or overcoming obstacles and public challenges in local communities for women»**

MODERATOR: *Oleksii Riabchyn, Member of the Parliament of Ukraine, «Equal Opportunities» Caucus, Chairperson of the subcommittee on energy saving and energy efficiency of the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine Committee on Fuel and Energy Complex, Nuclear Policy and Nuclear Safety*

To attract attention to the problems faced by women in the regions and to solutions they find. To discuss how women-IDPs are integrated into local communities and contribute to positive changes.

Mr. Hennadii Zubko, Vice-Prime-Minister of Ukraine, Minister of Regional Development, Building and Housing and Communal Services of Ukraine

Ms. Debra Button, Civic leader, former Mayor of Weyburn Canada, President of Association of Local Municipalities of the Saskatchewan province

Ms. Diane Bunyan, Council of Europe Gender expert, former Member of the Bristol City Council Director, Gender Equality Mainstreaming Consultancy, United Kingdom

Ms. Liliya Kislitsyna, Member of the Kramatorsk City Council, Head of the Board of the Club of Successful Women of Ukraine

Ms. Svitlana Spazheva, Head of the Pokrovsk local community in Dnipropetrovsk oblast

Ms. Tetiana Durnieva, Executive Director of Civic Holding Group of Influence

BRIEF STATEMENT: *H.E. Roman Waschuk, Ambassador of Canada to Ukraine*

14:45 – 15:15 **Coffee break**

15:15 – 16:45 **Discussion platform 6: «Gender in education and role of media in public awareness raising about gender issues»**

MODERATOR: *Ms. Olena Froliak, Editor in Chief of the ICTV Information Service*

To define areas of gender awareness raising in Ukraine and approaches how to introduce gender aspects in education. To discuss mass media role in gender awareness raising and to stress on inadmissibility of gender discrimination in mass media.

Speakers:

Ms. Svitlana Voitsekhovska, Member of the Parliament of Ukraine, co-chair of the “Equal Opportunities” Caucus of the Parliament of Ukraine, Chairperson of the subcommittee on legislation on the status of the people’s deputy of Ukraine of the Parliament of Ukraine Committee on Rules of Parliamentary Procedure and Support to Work of the of the Parliament of Ukraine

Mr. Roman Hreba, Deputy Minister of Education and Science of Ukraine

Ms. Olga Gerasymiuk, First Deputy Chair of the National Council of Ukraine on TV and Radio Broadcasting

Ms. Larysa Denysenko, Human rights defender, writer, journalist

Ms. Jehmu Greene, Journalist, politician, former president of Women’s Media Center

Ms. Inna Kuznetsova, Editor in Chief of Radio Svoboda

Ms. Tetiana Kuznetsova, Dean of the Faculty of Journalism of the National University Odesa Law Academy

16:45 – 17:15 **Coffee break**

17:15 – 18:15 **Discussion platform 7: «Women leadership and mentorship. Not competitors, but partners!»**

MODERATOR: Ms.Olesya Zhulynska, Public Affairs & Communications Manager, Coca-Cola Beverages Ukraine

To motivate women leaders from different fields of activity to solidarity and mentoring support for each other. To discuss the successful experience of combining the efforts of women to solve problems in society.

Speakers:

Ms. Ewa Ruminska-Zimny, Member of the Programmatic Board of the Polish Congress of Women

Ms. Fiona Buckley, Lecturer in the Department of Government and Politics, University College Cork, Ireland, and Co-founder of Irish Group 50/50

Ms. Olga Rudnieva, Executive Director, Elena Pinchuk ANTIAIDS Foundation

Ms. Tamara Smovzhenko, Rector of the University of Banking of the National Bank of Ukraine, Doctor of Economy, Professor

18:15 – 19:00 **Announcement of Congress results**

19:00 – 20:00 **Dinner**